# Tissue, Organelles, Organisms



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Mouse mammary tissue section, whole mount, & reconstructed gland

#### **Current Area of Research Interest**

- Low dose radiation biology
- Imaging bioinformatics

Challenges that May be Addressed with Advanced Computing and Mathematics Capabilities

- Mapping and detecting specific molecular and chemical events in multiple populations in context
- Modeling the evolution of events/cells/organisms in a heterogeneous environment
- Predicting consequences to the organism using integrative multiscale models that are based on dynamic cellular and molecular data

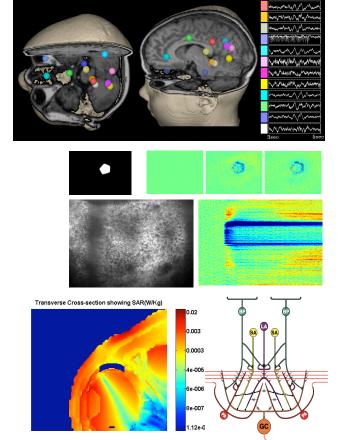
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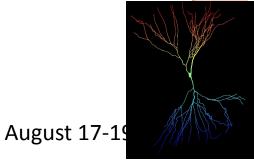
#### **Current Area of Research Interest**

- Vision, Visual System Function, Visual Prosthesis
- Dynamic Neuroimaging of Brain Function MEG, fMRI, Optical Imaging, neural current MRI Source characterization, multi-modality integration
- Understanding Neural Computation

#### Challenges that May be Addressed with Advanced **Computing and Mathematics Capabilities**

- Large scale Biophysical Modeling MRI functional Contrast, Neural Stimulation
- Synthetic Cognition, **Sensory Information Processing**
- Neuromimetic and Neuromorphic Computer Systems DOE/Office of Science





Extreme Biology

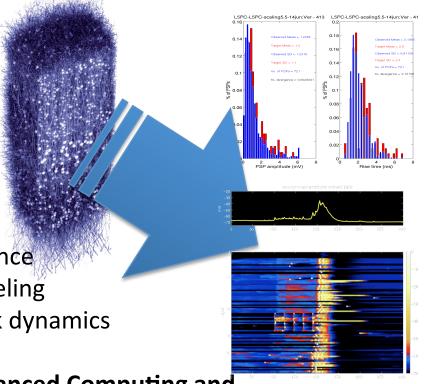
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- Simulation-based research in neuroscience
- biologically detailed, physiological modeling
- learning &plasticity, large-scale network dynamics

# Challenges that May be Addressed with Advanced Computing and Mathematics Capabilities

- large-scale theories of brain function & dysfunction
- predictive models for drug design
- information processing in brain circuitry



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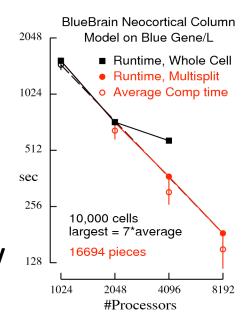
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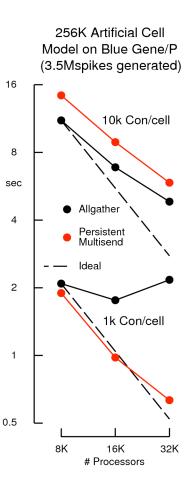
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**Neural Network simulation methods** 

Challenges presented by availability of very large parallel computers

- Load balance when largest neuron is much larger than average computational load per processor
- Overlapping computation and spike exchange:
   avoiding communication bandwidth limitations

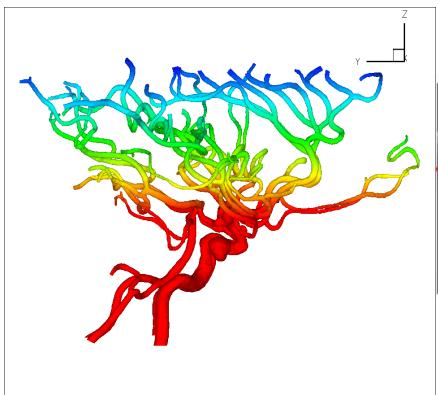




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### Tissues, Organs, and Physiology

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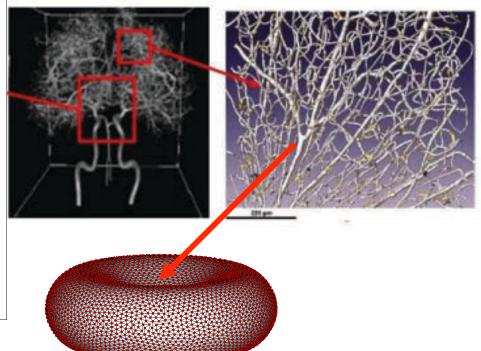


#### **Multiscale Modeling of Arterial Trees**

**Computational Challenges:** 

➤ Solution of linear systems on 1000s Processors

➤ Coupling heterogeneous codes: atomistic-continuum



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#### **Research Interest: High Performance I/O**

- Novel approaches to parallel I/O software
- Data-intensive computing
- I/O Interfaces for HPC Applications

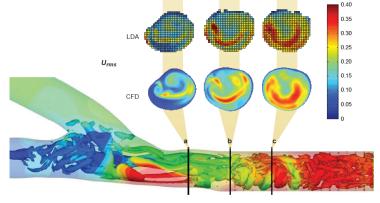
#### **Challenges addressed with Advanced Computing**

- Meeting the I/O performance requirements of Biology Applications
- Providing efficient, usable interfaces to I/O and storage for Biology
- Further education of best practices I/O techniques



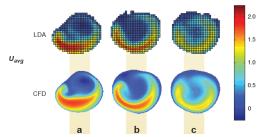


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#### **Current Area of Research Interest**

- Experimental and Computational simulation of biological flows
- Hemodynamics of the carotid bifurcation and vascular grafts.
- •Hydrodynamics of cerbrospinal fluid motion in the spinal canal



#### **Challenges that May be Addressed**

• Fluids dynamics simulations of many patient specific geometries and flows for correlation between mechanical forces (shear stress and pressure) with biological markers such as disease presence and/or progression.



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Illustrative figure that describes research effort

#### **Current Area of Research Interest [Include graphic]**

- Biomedical Modeling at multiscales
- Biomedical Analysis
- Biomedical Data management

## Challenges that May be Addressed with Advanced Computing and Mathematics Capabilities

- Limits to what underlying mechanistic algorithms are computable
- Limits to what underlying mechanistic algorithms can be validated with theory or data

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- Simulation-based research in neuroscience
- high-performance computing and simulation-steering
- integrative computing workflows

# Challenges that May be Addressed with Advanced Computing and Mathematics Capabilities

- hypothesis-driven drug development
- personalized medicine
- reducing animal experimentation

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## Woloschak Lab

- Current Research: (janus.northwestern.edu/wololab):
- -Studies of radiation on late tissue toxicities including cancer—DOE
- -Development of nanoparticles for imaging and therapy of cancer— NCI
- Challenges/Other areas:
- -modeling radiation toxicity at the tissue/organism level (applications to RadOnc)
- -modeling effects of different radiation qualities (low LET, p+ for RadOnc; p+, HZE for NASA); modeling interactions of different radiation qualities
- -modeling interaction of radiation with other toxicities (chemo for cancer therapy; heavy metals for environmental concerns; others)
- -modeling toxicities of various nanoparticles (different materials, sizes, molecules bound, shapes) on tissues, organisms; modeling toxicities of nanoparticles coupled with other materials (applications to nanotech, cancer, therapies, environmental concerns)
- -modeling which nanoparticles will be able to accumulate in tissues/tumors due to EPR (enhanced permeability and retention)—(applications to cancer therapy and imaging)

